



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor

John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
PUBLIC LANDS DAY
SEPTEMBER 27, 2008

WHEREAS, North Dakota's system of public lands includes parks, unique landscapes, forests, wildlife refuges, historic trails, nature centers and other landmark areas that individually and collectively represent irreplaceable natural resources; and

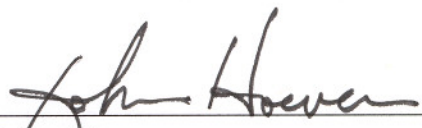
WHEREAS, public lands provide locally accessible natural and cultural resources for environmental learning, wildlife appreciation and recreation; and

WHEREAS, public lands promote civic ideals that include shared stewardship and recognition of public ownership; and

WHEREAS, shared stewardship requires the goodwill, cooperation and active support of citizens, communities, business leaders, and state and local officials; and

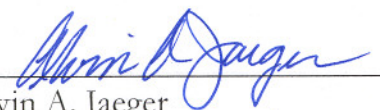
WHEREAS, an alliance between private citizens, land managers and community leaders improves the condition of publicly held lands for the greater enjoyment and enrichment of all North Dakotans.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim September 27, 2008, **PUBLIC LANDS DAY** in the state of North Dakota.



John Hoeven
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ATTEST:



Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State